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Crew of 21 Imperiled Aboard Leaking Ship

FOG HAMPERED RESCUERS OFF CAROLINA COAST

Heavy Seas Pound Vessel Aground on Reef; Seaman Is Injured

MOREHEAD CITY, N. C., March 7 (AP)—Shrouded in fog, their ship stranded and leaking, 21 seamen waited helplessly for rescue off the North Carolina coast tonight.

High seas pounded the motorship "No-folk," aground on a sandbar outside treacherous Beaufort inlet. Signal flares kept the sailors aware that Coast Guard boats were standing by in the event the ship broke up during the night.

Rescue work was abandoned for the night because of darkness and the heavy seas after one man was hurt as he was taken from the ship.

In distress and seeking to make harbor, the Norfolk attempted to make her way through the inlet without a pilot when the pilot boat was badly battered and one man was hurt in attempting to put a

CREWS FROM the Morehead City and Fort Macon stations hauled one crewman, Carlos Mario Riquelme, out of the 18-foot seas before dark tonight. But the water was so rough the line had to be cut. Chief Boatwains Mate, Paul Woodard, acting commander of the Beaufort group, said the 21 men elected to stay with their vessel rather than risk jumping into the seas.

Whether the ship would withstand pounding through the night was a question, he said.

Meanwhile, the Coast Guard cutter "Mendota" was battling its way from Wilmington, N. C., through the seas toward the scene.

James K. Knappe, suffering from head injuries, said the vessel had

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Sheet of Sleet Laid Over Area; Cloudy, Cold Is Predicted

Clouds and cold, clouds and cold, that was all the weatherman could talk about last night after he had given Pottstown one reasonable simile of a balmy day and then say that would have done no credit to mid-Winter.

Saturday the sun finally broke through and drove the temperature up to 43 degrees. It was the nearest approach to Spring since the false alarm was sounded in mid-February, and walkers and drivers took advantage of it.

Families who saw Saturday as a good omen for a Sunday trip got a rude awakening early Sunday morning when a cold rain began, changed to snow, then to sleet that put one thin coat of ice on the town. More rain helped melt it all away.

WITH THE temperature sulking around 33 early this morning, residents had this to expect: mostly cloudy and a little colder today. Snow flurries won't hit Pottstown today, but only in the mountains, the weather bureau reported.

Tonight is expected to be partly cloudy and colder. Forecast for tomorrow calls for weather more than partly cloudy and just as cold.

Borough Council Session Is Scheduled for Tonight

The March meeting of council will be held in borough hall at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Changes in parking regulations will be on the agenda, with an ordinance scheduled to change the limit for parking from 72 to 24 hours. Applications for permission to erect new traffic lights and the second reading of the tax ordinance also are scheduled for tonight. Action on final plans for Brookside Homes, Inc., is expected.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Mostly cloudy and a little colder today. Partly cloudy and colder tonight. Increasing cloudiness and continued rather cold tomorrow.

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Bird in Hand Worth \$20



Mrs. Joseph Ardanowski of Detroit, Mich., holds homing pigeon and \$20 bill which her husband dispatched to her via the bird so she could do some shopping. The husband, Joe, tucked the bird under his coat as he left for work on pay day and told his wife he'd send the shopping money.

CIO Asks Wage Increases To Boost Take-Home Pay

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP)—The CIO called today for "substantial wage increases" and offered figures to prove they are justified.

A wage study which the CIO made public pictures a loss of 15 percent to wage-earners in the race between prices and take-home pay since January, 1945. What is called "real wages" fell that far behind, allowing for tax deductions, the CIO economists said in a report to CIO President Philip Murray.

CONN. GOVERNOR DIES SUDDENLY

James L. McConaughy Passes 24 Hours After Admitted to Hospital

HARTFORD, Conn., March 7 (P)—Gov. James L. McConaughy, who became Connecticut's chief executive a year ago after a distinguished career as a college administrator, died suddenly today.

The 60-year-old Republican governor, former president of Knox college and Wesleyan university, died at 2:45 p. m. 24 hours after he had been admitted to Hartford hospital suffering from intestinal inflammation.

His death, McConaughy bringing to a close a brief political career which began with his election as lieutenant governor in 1938, elevated Lt. Gov. James O. Shannon, also a Republican, as head of the State government.

The cause of death was officially announced as coronary thrombosis. Shannon will formally take the oath of office as governor tomorrow.

SHANNON, 51-year-old lawyer and former counsel of the Connecticut Federation of Labor (AFL), will serve until next January when McConaughy's two-year term was to have expired.

Governor McConaughy, who took office on Jan. 9, 1947, spent his last day at the Capitol Thursday. He had intended to leave the next day with his wife for a ten-day Florida trip, but canceled his departure Friday.

Spoke Here in '46

Connecticut Governor Dr. James L. McConaughy was known to Pottstowners for his Town Hall talk here on Dec. 2, 1946, when he was governor-elect. Dr. McConaughy discussed China at a bonus Town Hall session, sponsored by the United Service to China organization.

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Bell Is Selected for Post As Chief Berks Detective

Harry E. Bell, 37-year-old State trooper at West Reading barracks, was named chief county detective the past Saturday by John E. Ruth, district attorney of Berks county.

Paul H. Kleinspenn, of Boyertown, formerly held the post but Edward E. Barr has been acting chief county detective for the past several months. Bell's salary was fixed at \$3000, the same amount that Kleinspenn had received.

Barr will now become first assistant county detective and Edward W. Davis, former Reading police sergeant, will become second assistant.

Diamonds—Wedding Rings, Chas. Longacre, Jeweler, 17 N. Hanover.

TWO MEN KILLED, PLANT WRECKED BY EXPLOSION

Two Missing, 29 Injured In Midnight Blast at Massachusetts' Factory

WALTHAM, Mass., March 7 (AP)—Two men were killed, two are missing and 29 others injured when a midnight explosion that could be heard for ten miles levelled a plastics factory.

The bodies of the two workmen were removed from the wrecked Inglelake Chemical corporation two-story cement and stucco plant late today as rescuers worked with a power shovel to clear the rubble.

Both bodies were so badly charred they could not be identified immediately.

Search for the two missing men was called off shortly after midnight. Police and fire officials said they would resume operations at daybreak tomorrow.

THE EXPLOSION and fire left the sprawling plant of the makers of "makalot" plastic dishes and novelties, a seared mass of girders and heavy machinery piled eight feet deep.

Fire Chief B. A. Neal said apparently most of the survivors were blown clear of the wreckage, some of them 50 feet in the air.

He estimated damage at "about \$150,000."

Raymond Baker Jr., 25, one of the injured, said through flame-seared lips:

"I STILL DON'T know what happened. There was no warning, like a rumbling or anything like that. Just a terrific noise. The side of the office blew out. I found myself on the floor and crawled out side."

"I don't know what caused the explosion. Perhaps it was plastic."

Mrs. Ruth Melanson, a nurse who helped get the injured to hospitals, said the whole thing reminded her of the Coconut Grove night club fire in Boston several years ago which took nearly 500 lives.

"FROM THE appearance of the injured," she said, "some of them must have been blown right through the building. When I got there they were scattered all over the place."

Alan Morley, 45, who lives in the vicinity, said:

"The heat was so intense I couldn't get within 150 feet of the plant. The place was blazing like a pine cone. Men were running around with some of their clothing burning off. Some of them seemed blinded. They couldn't seem to understand direction. I led some by the hand to a truck to take them to a hospital."

OTHER KEY CIO unions in the 1948 labor-management tests, include the United Electrical Workers and Walter Reuther's United Auto Workers. Reuther opens negotiations with General Motors next month for a 30-cent hourly increase, and already is bargaining with Chrysler Motor company for a 35-cent hourly boost.

Girl, 17, Admits Killing Father and Mother

EMINENCE, Mo., March 7 (P)—A 17-year-old girl was charged with murder today after signing a statement that she killed her father and mother the past week. The bodies were discovered last night.

Missouri Highway Patrol Capt. J. A. Tandy said Betty Jane Kroeger told of shooting her mother after an argument the past Tuesday night when she was going to her father's store the next morning and shooting him while he was asleep. He had stayed at the store overnight because of a series of robberies.

Dead were Fred Kroeger, 50, and his wife, Minnie, 48.

'Walking Man' Winner Finds Fame Raises Hob With Routine

CHICAGO, March 7 (P)—One telephone call last night played high jinks with the well ordered life of Mrs. Florence Hubbard.

Since the gray-haired 68-year-old widow won the "walking man" contest in at least three entries a week—29 in all.

She said she entered the contest because her husband, a doctor, died of heart disease 10 years ago, and she was "very much interested" in the American Heart association.

Edwards said the ten-week contest had raised an estimated \$1,300,000 for the association.

MRS. HUBBARD, her voice a little tremulous, said today that she hasn't yet made any plans about what to do with her prizes which include a Cadillac, an airplane, an all expense-paid two-week vacation for two at Sun Valley, Idaho.

"One thing I am sure of," she added, "I'm going to work tomorrow morning—bright and early."

Income Tax Service, Business & Personal. W. E. Dames Co., 378 High St. Toilets, bathtubs, lav., cab. sinks. L. R. Dab, H'ware, 114 S. Hanover. Eye Examination, No Drops. Dr. Phillips, Optometrist, 340 High

Takes Life



Ross Lockridge Dead; Author Of Best-Seller

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 7 (P)—Ross Lockridge Jr., 33, author of "Raintree County," best-selling novel, died last night in his garage.

A coroner termed the death a suicide.

Dr. Robert E. Lyons Jr., coroner of Monroe county, reported in his finding that death was suicide by carbon monoxide poisoning.

The author's body was found by his wife, Vernice, slumped over the wheel of his automobile in the lighted garage.

The writer's father, Ross Lockridge Sr., said that his son's work on his successful first novel had resulted in "a complete breakdown."

"HE PUT HIS whole heart into his book," the elder Lockridge said. "He was utterly exhausted." The author worked seven years on the novel.

The younger Lockridge's mother said that "he might have had a temporary blackout. We don't feel that he contemplated doing such a thing."

Lyons said the widow told him that Lockridge had gone out of his house earlier in the evening after saying he was going to mail some letters but would be back to listen to the radio broadcast of a basketball game.

Ray Collier, driver of the fire department rescue truck which was called to the home, said Mrs. Lockridge had "called firemen" on the phone and said that they would have to break a lock on the garage door to get in.

POLICE SAID the author's father arrived before the firemen, forced the door of the garage, and took the body out. Firemen tried unsuccessfully to resuscitate him.

Harold Mumby, the writer's brother-in-law, said Lockridge appeared in good health and spirits when they were together Saturday afternoon for about two hours.

Herbert, not to forget the immortal songs of Stephen Foster.

THE AUDIENCE especially enjoyed the playing by Charles Hunsberger, youthful accordionist, who

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School Board to Hear Convention Reports

Verbal reports on two educators' conventions will be given to school board members at their meeting at 8 o'clock tonight in the school administration building by Dr. Frank M. Hanson, superintendent of Pottstown schools.

Dr. Hanson will report on the Atlantic City convention of school administrators, held Feb. 21-26, and on the meeting held to discuss school lighting in Cleveland, O., March 3-5.

George D. Rogers, president of the school board, said last night that he was not certain of a report from the special committee to consider in-service training.

This committee, appointed after the school board's Feb. 9 meeting, consists of Dr. Hanson, school directors Dr. Gustave M. Weber and Earl J. Reichenauer, and two teachers—Miss Miriam V. Ludwig, representing the secondary schools, and Mrs. Ruth F. Swinehart, a representative for the primary schools.

Robins added that the two teachers would not be present at tonight's session.

GUNMAN SLAYS WOMAN

DETROIT, March 7 (P)—A gunman shot and killed an unidentified, attractive red-haired young woman and wounded a man in a crowded night club in suburban River Rouge tonight.

Alcoholics Anonymous. Write Room 202, Security Bldg. Watchers, Diamonds, Wedding Rings, Levin's, High and Hanover Streets. Notice! We will not serve our routes today. W. H. Freed.

SAILOR ESCAPES SERIOUS INJURY IN IOWA CRASH

Raymond G. Boyer Jr., Brough Youth, Trapped In Bus for Two Hours

A Pottstown youth escaped with minor injuries from a bus crash in Iowa yesterday in which the passengers were trapped in the bus for two hours before an exit was cut through it with hack saws.

Three other passengers were seriously injured, including the bus driver.

The Pottstown man was Raymond G. Boyer Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Boyer, 405 Jefferson avenue. The youth's father said last night that his son had left Pottstown for San Francisco, Calif., Friday morning after spending a 30-day leave at home.

BOYER SAID HE HAD received no word about the accident from his son, who is a freshman first class in the Navy, but said he believed his son's bus would have been in Iowa yesterday.

The parents expected a telegram when their son reaches San Francisco.

The crash happened early yesterday morning in Chariton, Ia., when a westbound Burlington bus crashed into an abutment of a Rock Island railroad underpass. The driver had tried to dodge a truck which was knifed across the road.

Boyer was one of 19 treated for minor injuries at a nearby hospital and then released.

All passengers were transferred to another bus and resumed their trip except the three seriously injured, who were Chester Hoffing, 32, Omaha, Neb., the driver; Mrs. Reba Mobley, 35, Harrisburg, and her mother, Mrs. Goldie Huber, 53, Altoona.

SMITH'S CAR bounced off Umstead's and hit Friendman's so neatly that it wound up parked parallel to the curb, instead of diagonally.

A quarter of a block, Smith managed to stop, and Motor Patrolman (Continued on Page Three)

Rail Spike Found Wedged In Tracks; Wreck Averted

The curiosity of a retired Pottstown railroader averted the possible wreck of a Reading railroad freight train Saturday morning.

Charles E. Roberts, of 311 North Franklin street, was crossing the Reading tracks at the Penn street dead end. He saw something sticking from the "frog" above the switch leading to the coal yard of William G. Romich.

A "frog" is an arrangement of several short pieces of track that permit the wheel of through cars to pass over the intersecting inside rail of the switch without being derailed.

"I wondered what it was. I was sure it didn't belong there," said Roberts, who was employed with the Reading company for 42 years.

WHEN HE WALKED OVER, he found a railroad spike, carefully fitted between two prongs of the "frog." The hard head of the spike was sticking up an inch or more above the track.

He wiggled the spike free and examined it. It was dry, indicating that it probably had been in someone's pocket before it was placed there.

Roberts explained that he thought the placing of the spike had been the work of young boys, and added, "It was on a westbound freight track, not a passenger track, but still somebody could have been killed."

As soon as he had freed the spike, Roberts notified Warren Polster, 20 North Charlotte street, foreman carpenter with the railroad.

Polster agreed that it had been a deliberate "prank," probably the work of young boys.

The incident will be investigated by Charles Stroup, railroad detective

Local Citadel Leads Eight Rivals In Salvation Army Attendance

Flabush Fever or something indisguishable from the baseball hypernism of Brooklyn, N. Y., has come to Pottstown.

The local Salvation Army Citadel Sunday school is in a "major league" attendance pennant race with eight other chapters surrounding Philadelphia and at this point leads the league with a game average of 1,000.

Yesterday was the fifth Sunday of the current season which sees every team playing a dual game each week, Capt. Meral Cox, local leader, said last night.

The league towns are, besides Pottstown, Bethlehem, Allentown, Reading, York, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Wilmington, Del., and Camden, N. J.

THE CAPTAIN revealed that last year's average was 108 and yesterday, in a game with Allentown, the combined total of the three schools at the Citadel, Hilldale and Penn

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Assorted colors Rytex. Printed Stationery, Mercury Office. Bake Sale—Fri., Mar. 12, 3-8 p. m. by Emmanuel's Choirs—at Penney's. Notice! We will not serve our routes today. W. H. Freed.

Borough Acquires Municipal Airport Property at Stowe

The Stowe-Pottstown airport became the Pottstown Municipal Airport Saturday. Pottstown officially became the full owner of the field when a check for \$24,500 was handed to John J. Basco, of Stowe, the former owner and now the manager of the field.

A \$500 payment was made for a nine months option on the airport the past July 3.

Transfer of the field from Basco to the borough was made in the office of C. Edmund Wells, 410 High street, Wells, borough solicitor until the past January, represented the borough in the settlement.

ALSO AT THE BRIEF meeting were Attorney Carroll L. Rutter, representing Basco and Charles J. Novak, of Stowe, former co-owner of the field. Borough Manager Dow I. Sears had to leave before the short meeting was underway.

At the same time that the full payment for the field was made, Basco signed a contract with the borough under which he took over the management of the airport.

Under the terms of the agreement Basco will have use and privileges of the field and a lease on the parcel of land that contains his own hangar.

He will act as a borough employee, Wells declared, assuming responsibility for the proper and efficient management of the municipal enterprise.

UNDER THE TERMS of the contract, Basco will pay the borough two cents on each gallon of gasoline and ten cents on each gallon of oil he sells.

He will have the right to conduct for his own benefit flying services, the operation of a flight school, flying instructions, rent aircraft and to conduct flying for photography and aerial advertising.

Although the contract calls for a ten-year lease on the field by Basco as manager, its provisions are open for renegotiation by either party annually.

Before the agreement was signed by Basco and borough officials, it was cleared by the Civil Aeronautics authority.

THE NEXT STEP will be the recording of the contract in Norris-town and ratification of it by borough council tonight.

Arrangements have been made for an engineer to lay out the runways, Wells declared, and the way is open for the borough to apply officially for State and Federal aid.

These grants, amounting to \$40,000, assured the borough the past summer, when the Citizens Airport committee was set up under the chairmanship of Leon C. MacMullen and Raymond H. Piersol.

Application for the money, however, had to wait until the sale of the field was completed, and on Feb. 11, Sears conferred in Harrisburg with representatives of the CAA and of the State Aeronautics commission.

At that time, he was told of the necessity of completing settlement of the sale before the funds were forthcoming.

A GRANT OF \$21,400 from Montgomery county was received in 1947, and additional money still is being sought from business and industry in the Pottstown area. An additional \$1500 was saved by

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Autos Ransacked; Thieves Take Gloves

Two cars, parked in Burtonwood alley behind Lamb's Music studio, 247 High street, were ransacked Saturday night. But only two pairs of gloves were stolen and the vehicles were not damaged.

The automobiles belonged to William F. Lamb Jr., of Prospect street and Fern avenue and to Harlan Saylor, of 1379 Queen street. They were parked while the owners were at a motion picture show. When they returned at 11:30 p. m., they saw that the cars had been entered.

The gloves were stolen from the glove compartment of Lamb's car, although that compartment had been searched in Saylor's car, nothing was missing.

Both Lamb and Saylor believed that the thief was looking for keys to the cars.

ON THE MAIN DRAG

GUY MEYER—planning a concert tour. IRVIN KNAUER—reading baseball news. ANDY BAUER—looking over some fishing tackle. WILLIAM EMERY—discussing a sportsman's club outlook. PIKE SHIREY—starting out-door painting. JAMES MEHENRY—recalling the blizzard of '38. DR. J. J. KLUKE—describing his six old canes. HARRY SPARE—waging a clean-up campaign. JACKIE CARR—hunting a lost coin. MRS. GEORGE SHERIDAN—predicting more snow.

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De Gaulle Says Aid Plan Must Cover Defense Field

Wallace Says He Won't Return To Party If President Withdraws



HENRY WALLACE

YORK, March 7 (AP) — Henry Wallace today described as "fantastic" a report he would return to the Democratic fold should President Truman refuse renomination for the 1948 campaign.

Truman is not the issue, Wallace told 2000 delegates attending Pennsylvania's first Progressive party convention.

"The doctrine which carries his name is an issue," Wallace said, "and it was in the plans of the men who are running the government long before they told Harry Truman about it."

The Truman doctrine calls for military aid and economic aid to countries fighting Communism. Greece and Turkey are two nations already receiving U. S. assistance.

"THOSE MEN and their plans won't be changed by the simple substitution of another servant of the same interest," he insisted.

Group Stranded On River Rap Army Methods

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Grounded DC6 Planes To Return to Service

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP) — Douglas DC6 planes, grounded since Nov. 11 because of tire fires in flight, will return to the airways March 15.

The manufacturer and four airlines joined today in announcing that changes have been made to insure safety and the 52-passenger, 315 miles an hour plane will resume flying first on American airlines' coast-to-coast route.

Philadelphians Gangster Admits Part in Holdup

CLEVELAND, March 7 (AP) — A frightened Philadelphia gangster admitted to Federal Bureau of Investigation agents today he was one of five men who robbed a New Orleans bank of \$114,000 the past Jan. 9.

David F. Almeida, 33-year-old convict, signed a statement he helped rob the bank and got a \$23,000 share of the loot.

Now Many Wear FALSE TEETH With More Comfort

PASTEETH, a pleasant alkaline (non-acid) powder, holds false teeth more firmly. To eat and talk in more comfort, just sprinkle a little PASTEETH on your plates. No gummy, gooey, pasty taste or feeling. Checks "plate odor" (denture breath). Get PASTEETH at any drug store.

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Wallace Declared Today American Aid to Europe Must Extend to 'the fields of defense'

COMPIEGNE, France, March 7 (AP) — Gen. De Gaulle declared today American aid to Europe must extend to "the fields of defense" as well as the economic support provided in the Marshall plan.

He made the statement in a speech here calling upon France to lead an organization of western European nations in joining with the United States to oppose Communism and the spread of Soviet influence.

De Gaulle told a rally of his French "Peoples' party" that such an organization might have the support of 250,000,000 men.

"It is necessary that the efforts of the old Europe and those of America be joined to put our poor world back on its feet," he said.

"THIS MEANS without any doubt that the United States lend us large and prolonged help in the economic field. They took the initiative and I hail with no embarrassment their clear-sighted generosity."

"But it is clear that their support should spread at the same time to the fields of defense in as precise and explicit a manner as the Marshall plan does on credits and imports."

For the first time De Gaulle said categorically that the German people must have their place in a "free state of Europe."

France, Britain, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg are drawing up a plan for unity in a five-nation meeting in Brussels.

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The manufacturer and four airlines joined today in announcing that changes have been made to insure safety and the 52-passenger, 315 miles an hour plane will resume flying first on American airlines' coast-to-coast route.

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QUICK ACTION ON ERP URGED TO FIGHT REDS

Aid Asked to Combat Expected Communist Push in Italian Vote

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP) — State department officials say the Communists may make a big push in Italian elections next month are urging faster action in Congress on the European recovery program.

The timing is of such concern in the administration that it is understood to have come up for consideration at the past Friday's cabinet meeting — President Truman's first upon returning from vacation.

Officials say that the swift development of events in Europe — some good, some bad, from the American point of view — is running ahead of American foreign policy. The Washington time table is off balance, they say.

Diplomatic officials said today they were extremely pleased with (1) the London conference decisions announced yesterday for greater America — British — French unity in western Germany and (2) the results of the five-nation conference at Brussels where the foundations of a western European union are being laid.

BOTH THE London and the Brussels developments were described here as master moves in the strategy of the western powers to block the westward drive of Russian controlled Communism.

The government's top diplomats contend that the most essential part of this whole strategy is the Marshall plan for European recovery.

They are convinced that despite the gains made in London and Brussels the Russian can knock the props from under much of the structure of western Europe if they can capture all or a large share of control of the Italian government.

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Butter vs. Oleo

Congress to Hear Views On Margarine Tax Repeal

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP) — Tomorrow is "D-Day" in the battle of the bread spreads.

In one corner is the old slugger — butter; in the other the challenger — oleo. The referee is Congress. On the sidelines are the millions who like a spread on their bread.

The House Agriculture committee opens formal hearings tomorrow on legislation proposing to eliminate special Federal taxes on oleomargarine. The oleo tax was first levied in 1859. There are no less than 18 bills now in Congress proposing its repeal.

A. L. M. Wiggins, under secretary of the Treasury, will be the first witness. He will tell how the administration feels about the oleo tax.

THE TWO sides of the argument had a few things to say in advance. Rep. Poage (D-Tex.), author of one of the 18 bills, told reporters "it is utterly unsound to tax any wholesome food to the benefit of another. It is the only Federal special tax on the statute books levied against a wholesome food."

The Texas predicted that all 11 Democratic members of the House agriculture committee will vote to repeal the tax. He added: "If we can get three Republican votes the committee will vote to repeal." There are 16 Republican members of the agriculture committee.

But Rep. Murray (R-Wis.), from a great dairy state, had this to say: "THIS MARGARINE tax is for the general welfare of the people of the United States. This fight against butter is an entering wedge that jeopardizes the whole dairy industry. Some people want to sell the dairy industry out to foreign cheap vegetable oils."

The tax was levied by Congress almost 60 years ago. At that time much was said about oleo being colored like butter and sold as butter, with consumers being cheated.

Opponents of the tax contend that the food laws would take care of such a practice now. The Congressional anti-oleo tax bloc argues that housewives should not be forced to mix in the color.

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New Hampshire Primary to Test Dewey and Stassen

CONCORD, N. H., March 7 (AP) — The first ballot-box test in the 1948 Republican presidential race comes in New Hampshire on Tuesday.

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, 46, and former Gov. Harold E. Stassen, 41, of Minnesota, are matching strength at the polls in the opening round of the campaign.

Most political observers concede that a sweep by either in this first primary will have an important effect on his chances throughout the nation.

Dewey and Stassen are the only Republican presidential aspirants to endorse states. Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, and Gov. Earl Warren of California — both announced candidates — are letting New Hampshire's eight delegates go by default.

ON THE Democratic side President Truman is alone in the field. Two of Dewey's supporters are Gov. Charles M. Dale and former Gov. Robert O. Blood.

Stassen supporters, however, are counting heavily on his two barnstorming trips through the state within five weeks.

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Step Taken to Merge Czechoslovak Parties

PRAGUE, March 7 (AP) — The first step was taken today toward merging Czechoslovakia's Communist and Social Democratic parties into a workers' unity party.

Similar mergers elsewhere in eastern Europe have marked the disappearance of Social Democrats. The merger move originated at Liberec, a small city in north Bohemia near the German border. The action committee of the Social Democratic party there called on the party's central committee in Prague to allow the Liberec group to join forces with the Communists.

Left wing Social Democrats recently helped the Communists gain control of the Czechoslovak government.

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could do so no one could approach the three stricken persons.

A FIRE TRUCK of the Friendship Fire company, of Phoenixville, was used to fight the spasmic flames breaking out along the grass near the roadway, and an ambulance of the West End Fire company, of Phoenixville, also stood by until assistance was possible for the trio.

Bierly's clothes were burnt off and his body scorched by the charge of electricity, but artificial respiration was given to the mother and daughter, who firemen believed still alive.

Their attempts were futile, and Chester county Coroner Cooper T. Bishop, of Phoenixville, pronounced the three persons dead shortly before noon.

ANOTHER passenger, Hazel Wood, 12, daughter of Clyde Wood, of Phoenixville RD 2, was thrown from the car by the impact with the pole, and escaped electrocution.

She was taken to the Phoenixville hospital in the West End Fire company ambulance.

Tonight the hospital reported that she was in a satisfactory condition, having suffered the loss of five front teeth and mild shock in the accident.

Pvt. Richard Henne, State policeman of the Devon barracks, who investigated the accident, said that Mrs. Booth was driving south on White Horse road when she saw the automobile of Joan Varick, of Phoenixville RD 2, pulling into the driveway of her home.

SHE SWERVED sharply to avoid hitting the vehicle, according to Henne, and was unable to avoid striking the pole.

Varick posted \$5000 bail to guarantee his appearance at the coroner's inquest.

He appeared before Justice of the Peace George D. Ellwanger, of Phoenixville, yesterday.

Coroner Bishop will not hold his hearing on the tragedy until the Wood girl is released from the hospital, police said. Because of the injury to her mouth, she was unable to talk after the accident.

Damage to the pole and the subsequent turning off of power left residents of the Corner Store area, outside of Phoenixville, without electric power for approximately two hours after the crash.

Two Donations Approved By St. Gabriel's Lodge

Two donations, one of \$15 to the St. Aloysius Parochial school musical, and the other to St. Gabriel's Catholic church, Stowe, for aid to a Catholic seminary, marked yesterday's meeting of St. Gabriel's lodge.

The 30 members present organized a lodge dart league of six teams.

Three members were accepted into membership, while six others were proposed.

Peter Dorf, president, was in charge.

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Obituaries

G. ELWOOD BODINE, husband of Elizabeth H. (Klenk) Bodine, of 1325 SOUTH STREET, died of pneumonia at his home yesterday morning at 8:45 o'clock. He had been ill since the past Monday night.

Mr. Bodine spent most of his life in Trenton, N. J., where he was born, a son of the late Charles and Annie M. (Hill) Bodine. Four years ago he came to Pottstown and had been employed by the Spicer Manufacturing company.

In his younger days, he was an amateur painter and etcher. One of his best works was a mural of a Bible on the wall of a Trenton church.

For generations, his family had been marketers, and he had conducted a meat business in Trenton with his father. After abandoning marketing for several years while he followed the machinist's trade, he combined the two trades by opening a stall in the Arcade building the past November, where he sold pork products.

Mr. Bodine was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran church and the Brotherhood class of its Sunday school.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two brothers, Fred and Albert Bodine, both of Trenton.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock from his home. Officiating will be the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran church.

Further services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 77 Prospect street, Trenton. Interment will be made in Ewing cemetery, Ewing, N. J.

Funeral services for **H. MAUDE GRAHAM**, of 54 WEST MAIN STREET, SOUTH POTTSTOWN, were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 404 High street.

Officiating was the Rev. Delaine E. Story, pastor of First Baptist church. Interment was made in Edgewood cemetery.

Bearers were Gerald Graham, Russell Graham, Robert Graham, Russell Kinckner, Daniel Schmoecker and Linwood Romig.

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Union Allots \$120 To Uniform Fund

A contribution of \$120 to the Pottstown Senior High school band's uniform fund was voted by Local 211, American Federation of Musicians, at its meeting last night in the Keene building, King and Charlotte streets.

The sum is enough to buy the amateur musicians two complete uniforms.

Most of the meeting was devoted to hearing a transcription of the recent testimony of James C. Petrillo, national federation president, before a hearing of the House committee on education and labor in Washington, D. C.

Leroy H. Keyser, secretary of the local, announced that the phonograph records will be loaned without charge to any local group.

The meeting was in charge of Lloyd Lafferty, president.

George Lee Named For Firemen's Berth

George Lee, of Keystone Fire company, Royersford, was nominated president of the Montgomery county Firemen's association and Clymer Missimer, of the Philadelphia Steam Fire Engine company, was nominated prelate Saturday night as 600 firemen gathered at the Swedesburg Fire company.

William Muldrew, of the Jenkintown Fire company, ended a 20-year run as president by turning down the nomination.

Election will be held April 3 at the annual meeting and banquet of the association to be held in Norristown City Hall.

Missimer has been prelate of the group for a year.

During Saturday night's meeting two men were taken sick, one of a heart attack, the other of active stomach trouble, and had to be carried from the hall.

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Harold E. Hahn was called to collar the offender.

Before Hahn got there, however, Sauppe, who had been quickly eating in a nearby restaurant, came charging out into the street and confronted Smith, who was rather dazed.

"Look what you did to my car," Sauppe bellowed to the befuddled Smith.

Hahn hauled the unfortunate Beech street man to Dr. Harry K. Macey Jr., police physician, who pronounced him under the influence.

Thereupon, Smith went to the borough hall lockup where he remained until nearly noon yesterday when he posted \$500 bail.

As a result of his picturesque escapade, he will face a hearing before Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley, of the Second ward, at 7:30 o'clock tonight in borough hall.

A POTTSTOWN MAN and his wife, on their way to visit friends in Lansdale, were injured yesterday morning when their car skidded off Germantown pike and smashed into a culvert near Fairview village.

Joseph Estreicher, 59, and his wife, Rose, 55, of 359 King street, were recovering in Memorial hospital last night after being brought from Montgomery county hospital, Norristown, by a Good Will Fire company ambulance.

Estreicher sustained a cut on the chin and injury to a knee. Mrs. Estreicher suffered a slight cut on the head, a broken left wrist and injury to her right knee.

Their sedan was described as a total wreck.

A passing motorist brought the Estreichers to the Norristown hospital.

AN ELDERLY LANSDALE man

suffered head and back injuries yesterday morning when the car in which he was a passenger skidded on Route 562, near Yellow House, and turned over on its roof.

Person O. Fluck, 79, of Lansdale, was taken to the Reading hospital in a Boyertown Community ambulance, after the accident.

He was reported last night in good condition, awaiting X-rays of his back and head.

The driver was his son, Edwin G. Fluck, of Lansdale.

State police said that Fluck was driving toward Reading when he started to wind rounding a bend in the road, Fluck's car struck a culvert and rolled over on its roof.

The car was badly damaged.

JOHN CONNELL, of 907 South street, escaped injury when his car skidded into a no parking sign at Beech and Charlotte streets early yesterday afternoon. The sign was bent and the front end of his car was damaged as he hit the sign while standing on the wet road.

A telephone pole got the worst of it in an encounter with the front of a car yesterday afternoon, near Rattlesnake Hill.

William L. Paup, Douglassville RD 1, told State police he was driving east on Legislative Route 954, when an approaching car forced him off the road.

His sedan crashed into a telephone pole by the road. State Troopers estimated damage to the front of

Bandits Hold Up Couples In Berks Area, Rob Them

READING, March 7 (AP)—Armed bandits held up two young couples in automobiles parked a mile and a half apart along secluded Muhlenberg township roads early this morning and marooned them by taking their ignition keys.

Victims of the Muhlenberg township holdups were Herbert C. Bagenstose, Wentzel's Lane, Temple RD 1, and William J. Repper, Oley RD 1, and their women companions.

Bagenstose reported \$18 was taken from him by two armed men, and Repper said three men with guns relieved him of \$5.

Paup's car at \$40, while the bent and battered pole will require \$50 worth of wood and work to be made whole.

Paup was alone in the car and escaped injury.

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Meeting Is Postponed By Democratic Club Here

A meeting of the Pottstown Democratic club, scheduled for tonight, has been postponed because of a rough colded meeting. George D. Rogers, club president, said yesterday.

He added that the next meeting is planned tentatively for March 12.

Totem poles dot the countryside from Vancouver to Yakutat, Alaska.

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When you find the one you think might be "Miss BRIDE'S FRIEND" ask her FIRST—"Can you tell me where STONE'S JEWELRY STORE is located?" She will purposely say, "NO, I CAN'T!" So you MUST say, "Well, you should because they are displaying the largest assortment of SILVERWARE ever. They are located at 210 High Street." She will say, "Tell me more, that sounds good. THEN ask her

"ARE YOU MISS BRIDE'S FRIEND?"

She will immediately display her identification card with our signature and then bring you to our store, where you will receive your reward and then . . . to the studio to have your picture taken for the newspaper.

The contest is open to everyone except employees of our store and their relatives, or the family and relatives of "Miss Bride's Friend!"

Remember: She May Be the Lady Standing Next to You Now!

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210 High Street

See the New Electric Water Heaters at Sanatoga Radio Co.

WE INSTALL THEM CHOOSE FROM SEPCO — Penco — WHITEHEAD — SMITHWAY EASY TERMS

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MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1943

Distinction is the consequence, never the object, of a great mind.—Washington Allston.

The Office of Coroner

THE MERCURY welcomes a second in its corner against "that ancient functionary, the coroner."

For many years The Mercury has championed a State-wide fight against the useless office. Yet this newspaper pointed out the coroner could make his office appear useful if he were to become of public service.

The Reading Times, aged and sage contemporary of this tower of comment, editorialized as follows the past Friday in commenting on a local editorial:

"That ancient functionary, the coroner, says one of our neighboring contemporaries (Editor's note: That's us, The Mercury), has come in for deserved censure."

The critic is Dr. R. H. B. Gradwohl, a member of the American Medical College Congress. The doctor is quoted as pointing out that the coroner is an obsolete petty magistrate whose work "has no standing in court and . . . often, in the most perfunctory fashion, duplicates the work of the office of district attorney."

"Doctor Gradwohl urges that legislation be passed to set up a system of medical examiners and recommends the abolishment of the coroner's office in holding inquests and so on.

"Perhaps the good doctor has something, worth while. There certainly is merit in his criticism that the office is often filled with political hacks who perform the work in the most perfunctory fashion and who more often than not are interested in keeping from the public the details of their investigations than they are to reveal them.

"Primarily as we view it, the coroner's office was a sort of safeguard against crooked public prosecutors failing to take action in crimes of violence or death by criminal neglect of powerful industries.

"Over the years we have seen the spectacle of a coroner issuing certificates of accidental death or death by natural causes only to find later that grand juries found true bills against principals, particularly in automobile accidents. We have seen cases where there have been no indictments, possibly as a sequel to a coroner's findings, only to witness the successful prosecution of a civil damage suit charging negligence which might have been termed criminal.

"A coroner who is unwilling and never can be found to investigate a case that calls for immediate attention defeats the purpose of the office, particularly where timid citizens, and police hesitate to "touch a body" until the coroner arrives. And too often a coroner is called and summoning of police is delayed in deference to the coroner and his judgement, frequently causing complications.

"Coroners should be willing to respond promptly, to act expeditiously and to live up to the tenets and traditions of the office. Too frequently they have been the tools to abet the hiding of facts rather than to reveal the facts.

"Considering experiences of the past, perhaps a system of medical examiners would serve the purpose and aid materially in crime detection or the fixing of responsibility of civil negligence. Or perhaps the laws governing the conduct of coroners should be amended to make more explicit the responsibilities of their office.

"We agree with the good doctor that the coroner's office should perform a real service, should be vested with real authority to carry out that service or it should be wiped off the books as a relic of the dim, dead past.

"We have known some coroners who were better known for their disservices in the community than the services they performed."

Easy Auto Repairs

TO SAVE steel steel a car maker has developed panels which can be welded into rusted or torn fenders and other body sections.

They will also save money for owners who might otherwise have to replace the whole side of a damaged car.

It's "The Black Look"

IN Los Angeles, dress designers at the California Apparel Creators show had a hope of memory. They seemed to have forgotten a few million entrepreneurs. In a classic display of bad taste they dubbed a clunky, strapless, searing-true evening dress "Missionary's Downfall."

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS, March 7

Editor, The Mercury,
 Dear Sir 'n' Brother:
 Wal, I see by the papers where school authorities are thinking of keeping grade schools in operation the year around. News of this frightful proposal has sent Junior to probing the history books to see just what are his constitutional rights.

Junior can't think of a worse way to wreck a beautiful summer than by wasting it on homework.

And say, for once I'm willing to bet that teacher and pupil see eye to eye on this.

Hopla! you air the same,
 GRAMPY NED OAKLEY

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READERS SAY:

'Newcomer' Indignant

At Meters Near Homes

Letters must not be more than 250 words in length and must not involve personalities. Writers must sign their names and give street address as evidence of good faith but these will be withheld from publication on request. It is a criminal offense to sign another person's name. Poetry and constitutional advice, the editor of political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

'Abominable' Situation

To the Editor: I am a newcomer to Pottstown, in fact, not even a voter yet. But I would like to attempt to point out one fact that is quite abominable to citizens other than myself. Parking meters in the residential districts. I have been in most of the large cities of the country and I have yet to find people paying to park in front of their own homes.

No town is so desolate financially that the citizens are forced to kick in 5 cents for every two hours their own car sits in front of their apartment or home. Therefore, I can't see the cause for parking meters to disrupt the parking situation on King street, which is decidedly residential. There are three blocks from the 200 block to one block below Hanover that contains business places and only on one side of the street. Then why should residents as far out as Franklin be forced to pay toll to leave their cars in front of their homes or pay the penalty which has amounted to as much as \$4 in one week in this particular case?

Of course, the meters are there and it would take an act of Congress to remove them, but they are such unnecessary and most detestable to the citizen of Pottstown who are forced to live in one block and park in the next plowing through snow and rain to their cars in order that the city may take its rightful share of tax.

Why can't something be done that we may be allowed to use the space in front of our own homes for a non-profit parking space? Civic improvement is so great an issue in each town why doesn't this one try to be a little more liberal and let their citizens park unmolested and not give their life-blood in tickets to the fair city of Pottstown.

Pottstown DISGUSTED NEWCOMER

(Editor's Note: If the writer of the above letter travels to Reading, 18 miles west of Pottstown, and to Norristown, 17 miles east, he will find that parking meters are in operation in residential areas adjoining the business sections of these cities.)

Prayer Won't Stop Wars

To the Editor: G. S. ("Pottstown Can Show Way." Readers Say, March 4) wants Pottstown churches to set aside Easter Day to pray against war. Why?

The common people have been praying for peace for centuries. Wars are made by man and only man can stop them. My suggestion would be to take the profits out of war and you will find that it will do more good than praying.

The people of Europe are breaking the shackles of reaction and superstition. So let's keep our of their affairs and muddle our own business.

Spring City RD 1 P. C.

Justice Too Late, He Says

To the Editor: I see that Harold Christoffel, who was instrumental in calling a strike at the Big Alis-Chalmers plant in Milwaukee during the war, has been sentenced to prison for perjury.

It's a little bit late for the government to show the true colors of this self-avowed Communist and force him to pay the penalty. It might better have been done when this powerful labor leader was at the peak of his power in effectively delaying the production of vital war materials for the Navy.

He was accorded a democratic privilege which would have been snored from him if he lived in the country whose political beliefs he has professed.

Pottstown L. B.

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

TO TAKE CARE of the baby with eczema is a problem for both mother and physician. The red, scaly rash which comes with this disorder itches so intensely that it is difficult to keep the baby from scratching, and the more he scratches, the worse the rash is likely to become.

The exact cause of this stubborn disorder in babies is not known, but modern medicine inclines to the theory that it is due to an allergy or over-sensitivity, usually to one or another food.

The tendency to over-sensitivity is frequently inherited from one or both parents.

Thus, aside from attempts to lessen the discomfort of the rash with soothing preparations, treatment is directed at finding the substance to which the baby is sensitive. The search must of necessity be on a trial-and-error basis, one food or another being taken out of the baby's diet and the results on the rash observed.

For this reason, it often happens that these youngsters are limited to a very restricted diet and, since so many of them prove sensitive to cow's milk, this is usually one of the first foods denied them. Normally, milk is the baby's chief protein food and today we are learning that serious results may follow its discontinuance unless protein is supplied in some other way.

Doctors have long been familiar with recurrent spells of severe illness, which seem to affect some babies with severe eczema. At these times there is a sudden gain in weight, due to a collection of fluids in the tissues, and this may be followed by an equally sudden weight loss as the fluids are lost, together with listlessness, loss of appetite, diarrhea, and collapse.

Recently, it has been discovered that these symptoms are due to lack of protein in the blood and they are particularly likely to occur when milk is not employed in the diet. They are not, however, due to this cause alone, but may also appear in other babies afflicted with eczema because of the widespread infection which often results from the rash. As the protein deficiency becomes worse, the child's resistance to infection is lowered still further, and so a vicious circle is established in which each condition makes the other more pronounced.

In addition to the symptoms mentioned, there may be anemia or lessening of the coloring matter of the blood, and fatty muscles.

The treatment in such cases consists of the giving of liver extract by injection into a muscle, together with injections of whole blood plasma or the fluid part of the blood, into a vein.

WASHINGTON

Allen, Truman's Friend,

Cashes In on Influence

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, March 7 — "George" Allen's latest get-rich-quick experiences demonstrate that it pays big dividends to have been the "funny man" for two Presidents of the United States.

The former hotel man from Booneville, Miss., whose broad humor and pantomiming enlivened the events of senators, cabinet members, P. D. R. and Harry S. Truman from 1933 to the present, has become, in effect, this nation's economic emissary to postwar South America. Recently, while living at the home of American Ambassador James Bruce in Buenos Aires, he negotiated a potentially fabulous, two-way deal with the No. 2 Nazi of Argentina—Ricardo Staudt.

Less than a year ago, former Ambassador Spruille Braden was delivering Buenos Aires speeches, urging the defeat of President Peron as an anti-American dictator. He was soon recalled by President Truman, and his anti-Peron policy, was scrapped overnight. Oddly, the first man to benefit from our new attitude toward the Peron regime is chubby, wise-cracking George E. Allen.

ACTOR: Young Allen landed in Washington in 1919 as a breezy hotel clerk. He happened to get a job at a hostelry where the late Earl Harrison of Mississippi, former Senator Henry Ashurst, Chief Justice Fred Vinson, former Vice-President Henry A. Wallace, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney and numerous other important figures lived.

He was attractive, audacious and an actor. He could have made a fine living on the vaudeville stage. Mr. Harrison, then a power, introduced him to F. D. R. and he immediately laughed his way into a close relationship. As a reward, he was named to the senior post of commissioner of the District of Columbia. Naturally, he became a pal of Mr. Truman when the latter entered the White House and it was expected that he would become chief secretary.

Instead, to the amazement of everybody, he was named chairman of the Reconstruction Finance corporation. Senate hearings on his confirmation were transformed into a circus by his witticisms and clownings. A camera shot of him simpering and ducking behind his upraised palm was published by Life as the "picture of the week."

During the hearings, however, it developed that he represented several insurance companies, Aviation corporation and other firms at total fees of almost \$100,000 a year. He was confirmed on gales of friendly senatorial laughter.

PARTNER: Mr. Allen had no liking for the R. F. C. job and did not remain long in that assignment. He seemed to have disappeared from the Washington scene and old friends wondered of his whereabouts until recently. They were afraid that the popular "George" had suffered reverses.

They should have sat on their sympathy. Now it develops that, as representative of Cyrus S. Eaton, of Cleveland, one of the Truman administration's favorite industrialists, he has become a prospective partner in an Eaton-Allen-Staudt combination that expects to clean up millions in the export-import business as soon as Latin and North American trade conditions return to normal.

Ricardo Staudt is an exporter of food, hides, minerals and of almost every other product which Latin America produces. He has business and industrial and agricultural ramifications throughout the southern continent. He is a banker, manufacturer and public utility magnate.

The Eaton-Allen group will handle the Staudt shipments at this end as an importer of machinery, railroad and utility equipment and all other kinds of manufactures, the Staudt interests will represent the Cleveland firm throughout South America.

ACTIVITIES: Ricardo Staudt figures prominently in the American Blue Book, which was published in February, 1946, by the State department for information of South American governments seeking to prevent a restoration of Nazi power on the Western continent. Five pages are devoted to Staudt's activities in behalf of Hitler Germany between World Wars I and II, and throughout the recent conflict.

The Blue Book was no mere academic review of the espionage and otherwise unimical activities of German Nazis during this period. It was designed to reveal their methods of intrigue and penetration so that they could not be duplicated in the future. Indeed it contemplated a weakening of the ancient structure in the near past so that it could not be rebuilt on behalf of Germany or any other hostile power.

Here is an excerpt from the five-page reference to Mr. Allen's new South American associate:

CRIMINAL: "Ricardo Staudt is an Argentine citizen or German origin. His activities in the last war resulted in his being designated a war criminal by the French government.

"His activities in the present war, both through his connections with the Siemens Trust and the partially German-owned Staudt y Cia, with its subsidiaries and through German political and economic and cultural organizations, have caused him to be regarded as a major element of enemy economic penetration not only in Argentina, but in all southern South America.

"The former German Ambassador, von Thiermann, remarked in an interrogation that Staudt 'always said he was the man who wished to do the most in Argentina for Germany.'"

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

For MISS LOLA ROTHENBERGER New Berilville

BECAUSE she recently became engaged to Mr. George W. Diehm, Pottstown RD 2.

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THE CHAIN SMOKER



Hollywood

By EDITH GWYN

HOLLYWOOD, March 7—Robert Young is set to be the co-star in "My Dear Secretary," the \$100,000 original yarn of Charlie Martin's that goes into production almost immediately.

Laraine Day's deal to play the title role is just about in the bag. . . . Cesar Romero and Joyce Saunders are doing each other dizzy.

That new radio series, "Youth on Parade" which will star Diana Lynn calls for a different leading man to appear with her almost every week—dramatizing scenes from pictures. Guy Madison, Farley Granger, Rory Calhoun, Roddy McDowall are among those being lined up for the airer.

SURPRISING to hear that Edmund O'Brien and Universal are parting company as soon as he finishes "The Judge's Wife," which co-stars Frederic March and Florence Eldridge. He wants to free-lance. But most actors are dazed happy to have a contract these days—

with all the firing that's going on around here! The options are dropping like rain! . . . The song, "Manana," written by Peggy Lee and Dave Barbour is a honey—and hitting on all six all over the air-planes. But nobody sings it like Peggy.

ANGELA LANSBURY threw a farwell party for Peter Shaw, who is leaving for England to make a final try for a divorce, so he can rush back here and ankie Angela to the altar. . . . But Lancaster turned down that role of the juvenile delinquent who commits murder in "Knock on Any Door" saying he's too old for the part. . . . Connie Moore, abed with a bad cold, sniffled this into our ear: She was standing in front of an ice cream parlor in Westwood Village (right near the U. C. L. A. campus) when two typical adolescents, complete with sagging bluejeans, sloopy sweaters, crew hair-cuts, etc., ambled listlessly past. One was obviously on his way into the shop to drown his sorrow in a milk-shake and Connie overheard him say: "If I don't hear from her by five o'clock I'll go mad! I'll go MAAAAD I tell you!"

MRS BOB CUMMINGS and her media are having a slight argument. He says the new Cummings heli will arrive in a week. She says any minute. . . . Mrs. Kirk Douglas, who uses the name, Diane Douglas, on the screen (most recently in "Sign of the Ram") goes herself sworn in as an American Citizen next week. . . . It's been decided who will play Richard Rodgers in "Words and Music" which is the musical film biography of those great composers, Rodgers and Hart. Tom Drake will play "Dick" while Mickey Rooney as we've already told you, plays "Hart." Judy Garland is the girl star. A little new-comer, 16-year-old Shirley Johnson, whom you haven't seen since her role with Elizabeth Taylor in "Cynthia" gets a big part in this one. Her second movie role.

IT HAPPENED TODAY
 On March 8, 1938, Capt. John Mason was appointed major general of the Connecticut forces. The late Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes of the United States Supreme court, was born in 1818, and on the same date in 1933, President Roosevelt revealed a plan to open banks at once, which had been closed by Federal order to avoid a panic. All gold coins were called in by the government.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
 Many happy returns of the day to Senator C. Wayland Brooks of Illinois; and to Ray Mueller and Bill Salkeld, both major league baseball catchers.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?
 1. Twenty-four or 25 miles.
 2. Forty-seven.
 3. Yellowstone. It was established March 1, 1872.
 4. An executor is named in the will by the testator; an administrator is legally appointed if no executor has been named.
 5. Twenty-four.

ALTHOUGH NOT MANY fans recall it, the father of the late beloved Will Rogers was a famous man in his own right. He was Clement Vann Rogers, one-eighth Cherokee. Before Oklahoma became a state, the elder Rogers served four years as a senator of the Cherokee nation, and he was a member of the commission appointed by Cleveland to appraise the improvements of the white settlers in the nation. In 1906, when Congress authorized the territory to qualify for Union admission, Clement Rogers was elected a member of the constitutional convention.

Will was proud of his day. Once, addressing an audience of pioneer-stock Americans, he saluted their origins and then drawled, with a twinkle in his eye: "My forefathers didn't come over on the Mayflower — they met the boat!"

GEORGE JESSEL STILL sings about his mother's eyes. But he also knew a happy life with father. Jessel senior was a playwright, author of many turn-of-the-century hits like "La Belle Marie," "War Heroine," and "Remarkable Woman," but the money he made was dissipated as fast as it came in.

The night George was born, his dad sat in the next room — a hospital was out of the question — writing a vaudeville skit for Minnie Dupree. He finished it at dawn, hurried to Miss Dupree's hotel, sold it for \$150 and went back to pay the doctor.

Jessel, like Cohan, worshipped his dad.

It makes the other rooms, Nancy Williams, seem so cheerful."

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In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

March 8, 1893

NUPITAL EVENT — Otto R. Swen-hart, grandson of Franklin T. Weller, 537 North Charlotte street, and Anna E. Irwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Keiffer, Central Hotel, Queen street, were married in Philadelphia, by the Rev. Alexander M. Wiggins.

NEW PAROCHIAL HOME — St. Aloysius Catholic parish will erect a new parochial home. Rev. H. M. Gormley is pastor. Building committee is as follows: Father Gormley, John M. Selinger, Daniel Flannery, A. J. Andre and James Healy.

A DAY'S LABOR — Question of what constitutes a day's labor was debated at a session of the newly organized Farmers League of North Coventry held in the Cedarville schoolhouse. J. H. Halderman was chairman and William Smith secretary. Speakers included Halderman, Fred Freigh, N. P. Dotterer and George W. Landis.

25 Years Ago

March 8, 1923

NOTED BOWLERS HERE — Billie Knox and Charles Trucks, nationally-known bowlers, are coming to the YMCA alleys this week. Knox is the only man who bowled 300 in the American Bowling Congress and Trucks is the national champion spare bowler. Paul Kleinspehn, Boyertown, was a former bowling partner of Knox in a big match.

OLD TIME FAVORITE — "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is showing in the Grand Opera House with a band, orchestra and a lot of scenery. A street parade was held at noon.

HIT BY CAR — Joseph Urner, of 112 South Hanover street, was injured when he was struck at High and Keim streets by a car as he alighted from a trolley. The car operator gave no assistance.

BOROUGH HALL PLANS—President Henry D. Reed, of borough council, appointed the following committee to super-vise plans for the new borough hall at King and Penn streets: Oscar Ritter, P. Broole Binder, David J. Keck, L. East-burn Potts, James M. Resner, George Wahl, Harry M. Beyer and John K. Klink.

10 Years Ago

March 8, 1933

RACE HORSES SOLD — Race horses owned by the late Philip E. Rightmire, Sanaoga, were sold at public sale. Bill Star, a pacer with a record of 2:12 for the mile was bought by Dr. H. K. Steinhilber, Blue Bell, for \$155. Ralph Schlachter, 869 North Charlotte street, bought a colt, Miss Senate, for \$65.

SEEK PASTORS' RETURN — Return of the following Methodist Episcopal church pastors is asked by their congregations: First church, the Rev. Dr. William H. Lindemuth, and Searles Memorial, the Rev. W. Sands Fox.

NUPITAL EVENT — Josephine Axsmith, daughter of George Axsmith, 1164 Grove avenue, was married to Henry J. Hennessey, Phoenixville, by the Rev. Joseph B. Gibson, assistant rector of St. Aloysius Catholic church.

Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN Broadway Dads

"LIFE WITH FATHER," now a solid cinematic hit and being mentioned prominently in the Academy Award listings, is a reminder of the many sentimental, humorous, respectful and enchanting father-and-son associations in show business.

Legendary of course was the love of the late George M. Cohan for his dad Jerry. As "The Four Cohans," the two of them, plus his mother, his sister, and Mother Cohans, were a solid hit in the two-a-day, Broadway remembers a surprise birthday party George tendered his dad after the latter had retired. That night, George M. Cohan quietly shook his father's hand and made him a 50-50 partner in all his properties.

George Cohan used to tell a story about the time he and his dad were dining in a swank Fifth avenue cafe. In the corner a violinist cajoled dreamy waltz music from his instrument.

"Dad," said George, "if you hadn't taken me traipsing around the country in vaudeville, I might have been playing here tonight."

"Yes, George," agreed his father, "you might. But you wouldn't be eating here!"

Moreover, the older we grow while unmarried, the more difficult it is for us to find a perfect sweetheart and thus make up our minds to wed.

So we become increasingly critical and fearful of the future. We live to keep postponing the inevitable. We prolong our engagement year after year.

Too many people spend years in futile indecision, thereby permitting romance and love to slip through their fingers.

If you have properly weighed the pros and cons, and your brain tells you a certain course of action is sound, then ACT! Don't rust out in life! It is far better to wear out in constructive action, then fail because of inaction. Even if you feel timid and shy, take a big breath and plunge.

For everybody feels fearful at times. But the successful and happy people grit their teeth and plunge ahead along the trail they know to be correct. So don't be a slave to emotions. Steer your life by your brain.

But what should we advise Imogene to do regarding her job? Well, if they begin living on a \$75 per week income, they'll very likely develop habits that demand that much salary. Then she will probably never be able to quit her job.

If Imogene wishes to insure her marital happiness, she must learn to live on her husband's salary. If she wishes to work a few months and will apply her salary solely to the purchase of their furniture or as payment on a home, that may be all right.

But she must not use her salary for the household budget! The rent and groceries, clothes and other expenses must be kept within her husband's income.

If not, she'll ultimately find herself caught up in a situation out of which she cannot extricate herself. Millions of young women today are only half-wives because they got caught in this gilded trap.

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ALL AROUND THE TOWN

How's the Weather?...

Things to Come...

PREFERENCE — Women are more interested in weather forecasts than men. A recent newspaper readership survey shows that 43 percent of the women read the weather story and only 34 percent of the men. It would be nice to know that wash day did it, but what to wear is probably the cause of the concern. . . . There's only about 10 percent difference in vitamin potency between fresh and canned fruit juices. The fresh lead, of course. . . . The man at the next desk just stuck his head in the door to make this crack: "There's only one thing I'm worried about: Will the bathing suits have the New Look this coming summer?"

STUNT — One of the major cigaret companies is out now with a trailer just recently unveiled in Los Angeles. The trailer is a motor job which will carry a 36-foot cigaret on top and the cigaret will emit smoke from a burning end as well as fill the surrounding area with the aroma of the burning cigaret. Free smokes will be distributed to those viewing the trailer. Idea behind it is an appeal to the senses of sight, sound, smell, taste and touch. "What else?"

STUFF — It's being tried out on the west coast right now and if the Californians go for it, it will be sold nationally. See how it sounds to you: It's called "banana crunch" and is a combination of fresh banana and peanut brittle, molded in banana shapes, quick frozen, dipped in chocolate and sold out of a freezer. Pretty yummy, huh? . . . Try saying this fast three or four times: Blue broadloom rug, blue broadloom rug, blue broadloom rug.

GANDER — In a store in Philadelphia they sell wheel chairs in the sporting goods department. . . . "Be Careful" signs posted on the stairs of a plant employing hundreds of girls did nothing to reduce accidents of girls falling or tripping down stairs. Full length mirrors at the landing did the trick. The girls invariably slowed down, took a quick gander and then watched their step from there down.

COMING IN THE CAN: Oysters teamed up with bread and seasoning to make a bowl as suffing for use with fowl, meat or fish. Chicken gilet scrapple ready for use as a breakfast dish. A new boiled-in-butter mushroom pack will soon be introduced. And the latest in vending machines will dispense six kinds of chilled fruit and vegetable drinks. The machine will hold 50 six-ounce cans. The customer deposits a dime in the coin chute, presses a button under the flavor of his choice and a can of the juice drops into his hand. On one side of the machine a knife-like can opener makes a clean incision in the can top just big enough to admit a straw. The machines are designed for industrial plants, depots, bus terminals, airports and recreation centers.

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Boyerstown

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Philadelphia Ave. and Washington St.

Date Mixup for Utah Chorus Means Music For Diners at Boyertown Inn Saturday

Boyerstown's ubiquitous Lions club, sponsor of such events as the industrial show and the community ambulance, entered another field of activity the past Saturday night, that of providing choral music for diners at the Boyer Towne inn.

It was all a mistake, but that's what happened. And the music was provided by the Utah Centennial chorus, which had made an appearance before the Lions the past December. The club members, liked their singing—liked it so well they invited the Centennial singers to come back for Charter night in May.

A letter written by the club asking them to come for Charter night, erroneously asked the chorus if they had an open date on Thursday, March 6 or 13. It also asked for a verification of the date chosen by the singers so that complete arrangements could be made.

NO ANSWER to the letter was forthcoming, but the singers were there. They appeared at the Boyer Towne inn, where the Lions meet, the past Saturday night all set to entertain the Lions. Seeing no Lions, the director called Rudolf Abrams, club president.

Abrams informed the chorus that no meeting was scheduled. But the singers turned the unfortunate incident into one of joy for diners in the inn. Following their dinner, and also preceding it, they sang several numbers in the dining room.

And the Lions club still is trying to arrange for them to sing at Charter night on May 6 or 13.

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PERSONALS

Dorothy M. Bauman, 420 East Fourth street, played a piano solo entitled "Sonata Pathétique" by Beethoven in the Young People's Bible class of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church yesterday morning. Miss Bauman is music supervisor for Hatfield school district.

Thomas Gottshall, of Frederick, is observing his birthday anniversary today.

Mrs. I. Ralph March, president of the Woman's club of Boyertown, attended a meeting of the board of the Berks County Federation of Women's clubs in Reading recently.

Ralph S. DeTurk, vocational agriculture supervisor in the high school, attended a meeting of the officers and directors of the Agricultural and Horticultural association of Berks county in Reading.

The arrangements committee for Charter night of Cub Pack 1, Boyertown, will meet tomorrow night at 8 o'clock at the home of Raymond Pettijohn, 223 East Fourth street.

During World War I there were frequently more U. S. Navy pilots in the hospital than were available for duty.

Boyerstown Classified

Deaths 1
BAUER—In Pottstown, on Saturday, March 6, 1948, Laura B. Bauer, age 72 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Bereford Mennonite church, Bally, on Wednesday at 2 p. m. Interment in Bally Mennonite cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9 p. m. at the Linwood W. Ott Funeral Home, Warlock street, Boyertown. (Ott)

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Market Operator Passes in Hospital

ella M. (King) Plank, 65, who for the past few Summers operated a roadside vegetable and flower market at her Oley home, died Saturday afternoon in the Reading hospital of a heart attack.

She was admitted to the hospital two days before for an operation.

She and her husband, Marion L. Plank had lived at Oley for the past six years, moving there from Royersford. She was a native of Ohio.

Her parents were the late Abraham and Martha (Yoder) King.

Mrs. Plank was a member of the Oley Amish Mennonite church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by five daughters, Caroline L., a missionary, of New Delhi, India; Mrs. Dorothy Swartz, of Phoenixville RD; Mrs. Delphia M. Kurz, of Oley RD; Mrs. Annabelle Tyson, of Spring City RD 1, and Mrs. Cene E. King, of Oley RD 1; 12 grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Maude M. Meyers, of Geneva, and Mrs. Lydia Kaufman, of Garden City, Mo., and seven brothers, Simon H. and Aaron, of West Liberty, Ohio, Jonah, of Hubbard, Ore., Abraham, of Harrisonburg, Va.; Irvin J., of Malvern, Randolph, of Columbus, Ohio, and Nelson, of Meadville.

Funeral services will be held from the residence Wednesday afternoon. Further services will be at Conestoga church, Morgantown, with Bishop Ira Kurz officiating. Burial will be in the adjoining cemetery.

DEATHS - FUNERALS

LAURA B. BAUER, 72, of 185 NORTH READING AVENUE, BOYERTOWN, died the past Saturday in Pottstown hospital.

A daughter of the late John L. and Anna C. (Bechtel) Bauer, she was a member of Bereford Mennonite church, Bally, and its Ladies Aid society. Two neices and a nephew survive. A brother-in-law, Elmer K. Berk, died a week ago and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Irvin Bauer, died a month ago.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. from Bereford Mennonite church, Bally. The Rev. Wilmer Shelby, pastor, will officiate. Interment will be made in Mennonite cemetery, Bally. A Warlock street funeral home has charge.

Funeral services for **NORMAN SCHOENLY, son of Rufus W. and Emma (Miller) Schoenly,** were held from the residence of the parents in **FREDERICK** the past Saturday at 2 p. m.

Continued services were conducted in St. Paul's Lutheran church, Sassafrasville, where the pastor, the Rev. William L. Shaud, was assisted by Pastor Abraham Metz of Perkiomenville Mennonite mission.

Burial was made in St. Paul's cemetery, Sassafrasville. Bearers were Lester Oxenford, Paul and Willard Schoenly and Raymond Gaugler.

Girl Marks Birthday; Honored at Party

A birthday party was held the past Saturday afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Weider in honor of their daughter, Arlene R. Weider, who observed her sixth birthday anniversary at their home, 534 East Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown.

Gifts were received, games played and refreshments served. Present were Patricia, Pauline, Alverda and Billy Brendlinger, Perkiomenville RD 1; Janice, Marlene and Jean Simmons, Boyertown RD 1; Richard Welder, Elaine and David Renninger, Curtis, Robert and Melvin Bartman, all of Boyertown; Gerald Renninger, Pottstown RD 3; Mrs. William B. Renninger, Frederick; Mrs. Milford Welder, Mrs. Curtis Welder and Mrs. John Renninger, all of Boyertown; Mrs. Paul Brendlinger, Perkiomenville RD 1; Mrs. Alvin Simmons, Boyertown RD 1; the guest of honor, Arlene Weider; and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Weider.

Special Program Set For Student-Journalists

Thirteen student journalists of Boyertown High school will be inducted into Quill and Scroll, international honor society for high school journalists, at ceremonies this morning in the school at 9:30 o'clock.

Representing both the high school yearbook and the student newspaper, the youthful writers, all of whom are members of the senior class, will receive membership in the society and a membership pin.

Earl H. Keim, justice of the peace, will present a short talk at the ceremony, which will be witnessed by the entire student body.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Daniel B. Boyer 3d, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Boyer Jr., 11 East Philadelphia avenue, returned home from Allentown hospital the past Saturday night after undergoing a tonsillectomy there.

BIRTH ANNOUNCED

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harman Englesville, the past Thursday at their home Mrs. Harman was formerly Irene Schaeffer.

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LEAKING SHIP

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taken water. In his condition, he could not reveal any further details. He is under treatment at a hospital here.

"Radio room flooding! Life boats smashed!" was the message sent earlier today by the captain of the stricken vessel. The message was handled by radiomanne for the Coast Guard at Savannah, Ga.

ONLY COMMUNICATION to-night between the two rescue boats standing by and the "Norfolk" was by flares. Radio contact was impossible because of the differences in frequency between the "Norfolk" and the Coast Guard vessels.

Woodward said the station here received a radio report from the Coast Guard at Norfolk, Va., at 11:30 a. m. to the effect that the vessel had requested pilotage into the harbor here. However, he added, the boat was ditched at that time was forced to return when the heavy seas pounded the craft and one of the crewmen was injured.

The injured man, Chief Motor Machinist's Mate Carl M. Willis, of the Ft. Malcom station, was reported under treatment at a hospital here for internal injuries and several broken ribs.

Woodward said a report received here at 2:45 P. M. from the Norfolk station said the motorship was grounded 400 yards east of the channel off Beaufort.

BAND CONCERT

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was heard in a portion of the "William Tell" overture by Rossini. He displayed great digital dexterity and played the difficult passages with ease. He gave the spirited "Beer Barrel Polka" as an encore.

The rambles as well as musical appreciation of the large audience were aroused by the playing of an arrangement by Arlen Saylor, trumpet soloist, of the "Too Fat Polka." Ralph Bower sang the words in Pennsylvania Dutch and apparently many in the audience understood the dialect.

As usual, Miss Freda Schindler was effective with her rendition of "L'Amour, Tonjours L'Amour." She was in excellent voice, and gave as an encore "Mother Machree." Accompaniments by the band were adequate and not obtrusive.

The band's glee club sang, with expression and good tonal blending of voices, the "Whiffenpoof Song," arranged by Director Lamb, with James Christian as soloist. A trombone solo, "May Blossoms," by Ralph Bower, displayed pleasing clarity of tone.

"SERENADE OF THE BELLS," arranged by Saylor, was well received. Miss Schindler was heard in the vocal portion while Saylor played a trumpet solo.

Another arrangement by a band member, Herman Giersch, was of Stephen Foster's songs. Miss Schindler and the glee club were featured in this number.

Other numbers by the band included the "Oberon" overture by Weber; selections from Herbert's "Eileen"; Tarantella and Hora Staccato.

Announcer O. C. Beacraft said the May festival of the band will be held in the High school auditorium May 15.

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AIRPORT PURCHASE

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the borough because a topographical survey of the field was made by county engineers.

Once the runway layout is completed, the State and Federal governments will pay 75 percent of the engineering costs of construction.

Seers said last night that he will confer with Basco immediately to discuss the operation of the field.

Nearly ten years of talking and planning preceded the final realization of borough management of its own airport.

Both business and civic groups formed committees during the past decade, but no definite action ever was taken until the formation of the Citizens' Airport committee the past Summer.

Under its leadership, grants from government sources were secured, purchase of the field was begun, engineering work got underway and

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'I. O. U.'s' Is Talk Topic For Federation Meeting

An address on the subject "I. O. U.'s" will be given tomorrow night in the First Methodist church by the Rev. Alfred L. Graeger, pastor of Trinity Reformed church, Collegeville.

It will be a feature of the program at a monthly meeting of the

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McGRATH NOT QUITTING
WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP)—Democratic National Chairman J. Howard McGrath tonight denied "rumors" that he is quitting the job. He said the denial also goes for Gae' Sullivan, executive director of the committee.

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Impressive Double Ring Ceremony Marks Afternoon Wedding of Ethel Mae Ortlip

In an impressive double ring ceremony performed at Spring City Lutheran church Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Miss Ethel Mae Ortlip, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Ortlip, 517 New street, Spring City, became the bride of Mr. Neal Ellis Nyce Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis W. Schmidt, River View Park, Reading.

Before a candlelit altar, beautifully decorated with huge palms, gladiolus and all white mixed flowers, the wedding party took their places for the ceremony which was performed by the Rev. Joseph L. Shantz, pastor of the church.

Preceding the ceremony an organ recital was presented with Mrs. William Rose at the console. Vocal soloists were Miss Mary Ann E. Hoff and Mr. Robert Hallman. During the ceremony Mr. Hallman and Miss Batorf presented a duet.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was beautifully radiant in a colonial gown of white satin featuring an illusion neckline, which fell over her shoulders into a wide circle. The tight fitting bodice was attached to a long full skirt of which the scalloped hemline was caught up by tiny white satin rosebuds. The outer extended skirt fell into a long circular train.

Her finger-tip veil of imported tulle fell to soft folded scallops from under a hand-made cloche cap of white satin embroidered with seed pearls and rhinestones. For her flowers she chose white carnations and lilies-of-the-valley attached to a prayer-book, from which showers of lover's knots fell.

Appearing in a colonial gown, Mrs. Walter Bunlat, sister of the bridegroom, attended the bride as matron of honor. The pale pink tulle was designed with a wide light blue tight fitting bodice with self-covered buttons and small puff sleeves. She wore matching gamslets. The long full skirt was attached a large black bustle. Her hat was an old-fashioned bonnet with a big bow tied under the chin. She carried an old-fashioned bouquet of pink roses, white sweet-peas with showers of falling ribbons.

Little Misses Carol Hess and Judy Hess, cousins of the bride, served as flower girls and dropped rose petals as they walked up the aisle, from their baskets of spring flowers of daisies, sweet peas and roses.

Master Francis Loenle, Union City N. J., cousin of the groom, and an arched in a little white tuxedo, carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

Serving as bridesmaids were Miss Maria Sheller, Spring City, and Miss Patricia MacMurtre, former college roommate of the bride, Philadelphia. They were gowned in styles similar to the matron of honor in sky blue tulle. They wore Juliet caps with attached veil falling from the cap to the back of their shoulders, in matching color, and carried old-fashioned bouquets of Spring flowers.

Mr. Walter Bunlat, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, served as best man, while the ushers were Mr. Daniel Beeshore, Mr. George Beeshore, George Walters and Mr. Donald Herick.

Following the wedding a reception for the couple was held in the form of a dinner at the Springfield country club with guests in attendance from Union City, N. J., Philadelphia, West Chester, Reading, Harrisburg, Fairfield, Conn., Roversford and Spring City.

For the honeymoon trip, which will take the couple to the Pocono mountains for several weeks, the bride chose a suit of black wool crepe with white accessories. Her going-away flowers were the two white orchids from her bridal bouquet.

Upon their return the couple will reside at 920 North Fourth street, Reading.

Mrs. Nyce is a graduate of Spring City High school and attended State Teacher's college, West Chester. During the war the bridegroom served with the U. S. Navy.

Woman's Page

Engaged



The engagement of Miss Lola Rothenberger (above), New Berlinville, to Mr. George W. Diehm, Pottstown RD 2, was announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rothenberger.

George W. Diehm to Wed Miss Lola Rothenberger

Announcement was made yesterday of the engagement of Miss Lola Rothenberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rothenberger, New Berlinville, to George W. Diehm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Diehm, Pottstown RD 2.

Mrs. Rothenberger is a graduate of Boyertown high school, class of '45. She is employed as a personnel clerk in the Boyertown Burial Casket company. Mr. Diehm was graduated from North Coventry high school, class of 1943. He is employed at the Karmel Korn shop.

William McCrudden Chosen 'King' at Norco High Dance

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After being proclaimed king he was escorted to gold cloth-draped throne, wrapped in a gold robe and crowned with a golden headpiece covered with crystal beads.

Faculty chaperones for the affair were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baker, Mrs. Jesse Delp, Miss Clare Lane and Mrs. Edna Shinnhouse.

JUDGES FOR THE EVENT

Frances Rock, Janice Care, Ellen Evans, Cleo Brown and Doris Laudenslager.

Students attending were: Gloria Pizz, Betty Pursell, Jane Cusack, Joan Hoffman, Chester Lavery, Joyce Giles, June Lavery, Robert Koshel, Sarah Straw, Marilyn Rothenberger, Barbara Ehly, Anna Reinse, Peggy Himes, Eugene O'neal, Thomas Fisher, James Oranosh, Russell Dawson, Francis Hohl, Carl Bean and Harry McElroy.

Also George Shrum, Charles Murray, Virginia Tyson, William Tyson, Monroe Austin, Shirley Lightcap, Ardiella Miller, David Camacho, Esther Amole, Jane Camacho, Clyde Rupert, Betty Nesler, Gloria Gloss, Harry Belder, John Patrick, Richard Davidson, Richard Shadler, Lester Davidheiser, Wilbur Neff and Dawn McMillen.

Also Ralph Goudier, Lorraine Wentzel, Steve Demeduk, William Bodner, Ellen Train, Joan Evans, Ralph Reish, Joanne Kerlin, Janet Christman, Virginia Haile, Marie Longstrom, Sapora Olsen, Sheila Collins, Jane Care, William McCrudden, Dawn Greasy, Joseph Macchukos, Christine Swavely, Phyllis Kulp, James Lachy, Gladys McElroy, Joyce Yeager, Carolyn Gray and Howard Belman.

Social Calendar

Girl Scout Troop 13—Meeting at 7 o'clock in St. Peter's Lutheran church, Soave.

Brownie Scout Troop 19—Meeting today at 4 o'clock in the Trinity Reformed church.

Girl Scout Troop 3—Meeting tonight at 7 o'clock in the St. Aloysius school.

Soroptimist club—Meeting tonight at 6 o'clock of board of directors in the Clover Leaf Tea Room. Business meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Navy Mothers—Meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the nurses home of the Memorial hospital. A tour of the hospital will be made and refreshments will be served.

Business Girls' club—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the Young Women's Christian association building. A St. Patrick's social will be held and the "Y" board members will be present.

Fischer Bible class of the Transfiguration Lutheran church—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Robert Bucher, 413 Beech street.

Wyndcroft PTA—Meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the school. Mrs. A. P. Saunders, president, will preside.

Ladies' auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. Mary Quinter, 322 Cherry street.

Miss Reba Schroepe Becomes Bride of Mr. Paul E. Landis

Miss Reba Elizabeth Schroepe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman E. Schroepe, Norristown, became the bride of Mr. Paul Edwin Landis, son of Mrs. Carrie Landis and the late Edwin W. Landis, East Greenville, on Saturday afternoon in the Haws Avenue Methodist church, Norristown.

The single ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. William C. Skeath, pastor, before an altar banked with snapdragons and carnations. Bridal music was provided by Mrs. Joseph Todd, vocalist.

Given in marriage by her father, Miss Schroepe was lovely in an ice blue slipper gown trimmed with seed pearls and featuring a high round neckline, tight long sleeves and bodice, full skirt and a long train. Her white net finger-tip length veil was caught with a cluster of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of roses and sweet peas.

MISS RUTH S. DREBY, the maid of honor, was attired in an aqua faulle dress styled like that of the bride's except for short puffed sleeves. Her bouquet consisted of Talsman roses. Mr. Rondell De Board was best man while ushers were Earl and Robert Schroepe, brothers of the bride.

The mother of the bride, Mrs. Schroepe, wore a powder blue dress with black accessories and pink camellias. Mrs. Landis chose an aqua dress with navy blue accessories and a corsage of pink sweet peas.

A supper was held following the wedding at the Women's club, Jeffersonville, for 143 guests.

The couple left for a two weeks' honeymoon trip through the southern states. Mrs. Landis chose a brown silk print dress with a pink coat and brown accessories for traveling. When they return, March 21, the newlyweds will reside at 219 Main street, East Greenville.

MRS. LANDIS was graduated from Norristown high school and Pierce Business school. Prior to her marriage, she was employed by the Container Corporation of America. The bridegroom was graduated from the East Greenville high school and the Taylor Business school. He served for three years in the U. S. Army, for two and a half years in the European theater of operations, and is now employed in the office of the Red Hill garage.

Hospital Auxiliary Names Committees For 'Summer Silhouette' Fashion Show

Plans are well under way for the annual fashion show to be held by the members of the Junior Auxiliary of Pottstown hospital May 11. "Summer Silhouette" is the title for the show this year which will be presented in the Sunnybrook ballroom. Mrs. Herbert L. Drumheller is in charge of the function with Mrs. John A. Wanger Jr., assisting co-chairman.

Professional models will show what is being worn this Summer for work, garden, sports and for afternoon and evening wear. Clothing for the show will be supplied by a Philadelphia department store.

Miss Virginia Keper is chairman of the advertising committee with the following assistants: Mrs. Edward Kruk, Mrs. W. Richard Schwab, Miss Mary Sands, Mrs. Jack Daniels, Miss Jane Calvano, Miss Anne Zerey, Miss Frances Miller, Miss Betty Miller, Miss Evelyn DiMaggio and Mrs. Matthew Zeckl.

CHAIRMAN OF THE CHANCE COMMITTEE is Mrs. Waverly A. Sanders with the following aids: Miss Elizabeth Marquet, Miss Virginia Esoli, Mrs. Haden O. Evans, Mrs. Richard Evans, Mrs. Stanley G. Preese, Miss Peggy Sands, Mrs. Ralph Wentzel, Miss Hannee Ludwig, Miss Sue Gresh, Miss Evelyn Hoffman, Miss Jeanne Saylor and Mrs. Clifford Appert.

Mrs. Robert Eppelheimer is heading the decorations committee, assisted by Mrs. Gerald Rhoads, Mrs. M. Allen Matlock, Mrs. D. Joseph Keene, Mrs. P. William Marshall, Mrs. Ralph Maack, Mrs. Donald Goodnow, Mrs. Donald Bartman, Mrs. James Ehly, Mrs. Richard Eppelheimer, Mrs. Joseph D. Monjar, Mrs. Earl Kesser, Mrs. Stephen Lloyd, Mrs. William H. McCabe.

Mrs. Lawrence Flann is chairman of the floor committee. Her assistants are Mrs. A. Douglas Yeagle, Mrs. Gerald Seeders, Mrs. Thomas A. McCaslin 3d, Mrs. Gladys Sell, Miss Rae Calverio, Mrs. Alden Ramsdell, Miss Eleanor Bentz, Mrs. Leroy Lightcap, Mrs. Ralph Schwenk, Mrs. Richard Rosencale, Mrs. Robert Steiner and Mrs. Carl Kending.

Only about 10 percent of the blind people of the United States were born without sight.

BIRTHS

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Kohler, 890 Queen street, on Saturday in Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward D'ereola, Soave, announce the birth of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Capi Macdonia, Douglassville RD 1, became the parents of a daughter yesterday in Memorial hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nesley, Pottstown, RD 2, yesterday in Memorial hospital.

On Saturday, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bechtel, 49 West Fourth street, in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kulp, Farmington Court, are being congratulated on the birth of a son on Saturday in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Garber, Barto, became the parents of a son on Saturday in Pottstown hospital.

Yesterday, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Oster, 372 Beech street, in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Leeper, 889 North Charlotte street, are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

HOSPITALS

POTTSOWN
Admitted: Mrs. Helen Bechtel, 49 West Fourth street, maternity; Mrs. Jane Kulp, 18 Farmington court, maternity; Mrs. Mildred Petro, 626 Beech street, maternity; Mrs. Grace Graber, Barto, maternity; Irene Petro, 47 King street, surgical; Emma Louise Lightcap, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Ida Hoffman, 610 King street, medical; Marie Rambo, Roversford, medical; Mrs. Jeanne Leppard, 859 North Charlotte street, maternity; Mrs. Mildred Oster, 372 Beech street, maternity; Ernest Eagle, 630 Beech street, surgical; Elizabeth Brock, 411 North York street, surgical; Elaine Biehl, 281 Lee avenue, surgical; H. L. Weiser, 4 East Eighth street, surgical.

Discharged: Mrs. Arlene Gehris, Sassamansville, maternity; Harry Clymer Sr., Elverson RD 1, surgical; John McFarland, Douglassville RD 1, surgical; Karl Keffer, Schwenkville, medical; Henry Guest, 815 North Hanover street, medical; Charles Kinsey, 1236 High street, medical; Gordon Mack Barto, surgical; Annie Lightcap, Schwenkville RD 2, medical; Margaret Gerber, 845 South street, medical; Gladys Smoyer, Roversford, surgical; Mrs. Helen Minnick, 388 North Charlotte street, maternity; John Lewis, 557 Water street, surgical; Jonathan Richards, Pottstown RD 2, surgical; Laura Bauer, Boyertown, surgical.

Justine Malsberger Becomes Bride of Mr. Harry F. Bowman

Mrs. Justine A. Malsberger, daughter of Mrs. Vinnie I. Feather, 930 Queen street, became the bride of Mr. Harry F. Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bowman, Neffler, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Paul Schierer in St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church.

Mr. and Mrs. George Meyers were the only attendants. The bride was attired in an aqua wool suit with mocha accessories. A corsage of violets completed her ensemble. Mrs. Meyers chose a rose-red suit in wool with brown accessories. Her corsage was of yellow carnations.

Following the ceremony a reception and a supper was held at the home of the bride's mother for the immediate families.

The couple left for an extended trip through the Southern states and upon their return will reside in Obelisk.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

Today
Miss Jennie May Keiffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Keiffer, 39 East Second street, aged one year.

Lillian Jean Baum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Baum 911 Queen street.

Charles Gruesner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Gruesner, 453 King street.

Lawwood Quinter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mildred Quinter 567 Jefferson avenue.

Dorothy McCord, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCord, 557 Lincoln avenue.

Donald Reizner, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Reizner Sr., Douglassville RD 2, aged seven years.

Maryat T. Hohl, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hohl, Douglassville RD 1.

Yesterday
William Fontana, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fontana, 468 Buttonwood street Penn Village, aged two years.

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Birthday Dinner Given For Patty Ann Cannell

In honor of her 11th birthday anniversary, Patty Ann Cannell was tendered a dinner at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Cannell, 26 Chestnut street, Saturday night.

Following the dinner games were played and prizes awarded to the most proficient. Decorations were in the color scheme of pink and green with a large bowl of daffodils for the centerpiece. Favors were in the form of note pads.

Attending were Peggy Grow, Janet Esbach, Dolores Noll, Marlene Noll, Marlene Lambert, Susan Jane Cannell, John Bechtel, James John James Esbach, Thomas Ingram and Edward Gible.

Cannell, Betty Moyer and Francis Kovach.

Betrothal Announced Of Margaret Tyson

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson D. Tyson, 58 West Main street, South Pottstown, announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret M., to Mr. George F. Wanger, Rahm's Hill. He is the son of Mrs. Mary E. Wanger.

Miss Tyson is a graduate of North Coventry high school and is employed by the Bell Telephone company. Mr. Wanger graduated from Pottstown High school and is employed with the Pottstown Tool and Engineering company.

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Donald Francis Wins Chess Championship

The second annual chess tournament of the Royersford Chess club was won by the defending champion, Donald Francis, Spring City.

For the second year, the top three players finished in identical order: Francis scored 17-3; Charles S. Weikel, 15-4; A. J. Balch, 14-5.

A trophy of a spun aluminum chess king set upon a bakelite base was made by Kline Savage and Balch to be presented to the winner. It will soon be displayed by a local jeweler.

An interesting sidelight on the tournament was the fact that Francis' brother, Earl, came through with two wins against Weikel in the last two rounds of the contest to assure the title for Donald.

The local club meets each Monday night in the rooms of the YFW, Third avenue and Main street. All chess players are always welcome.

DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services will be held in a funeral home at 610 Main street, Phoenixville, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock for **MRS. HENRIETTA M. TURNER**, 79, wife of Robert J. Turner, 907 WALNUT STREET, ROYERSFORD. Mrs. Turner died at her home Friday afternoon, following an illness of one week.

She was born in Philadelphia, a daughter of the late John and Mary Steer. She lived in Royersford the past four years. She was a member of Boehms Reformed church, Blue Bell, and of the Ladies' auxiliary of Royersford Humane Fire company.

Surviving besides her husband are two daughters, Gladys R., wife of John L. Reinger, Graterford, and Edna M., wife of William Lewis Free, Phoenixville; six grandchildren, a brother, John Steer, Ambler, and a sister, Eva, wife of Richard Stainbrook, Merchantville, N. J.

Church Directory

Royersford Grace Lutheran church: Tonight, Girl Scouts; tomorrow, 3:45 p. m., weekday church school and junior catechetical class; Wednesday night, 6:30 o'clock, catechetical class; 7:30 o'clock, Lenten service; Thursday night, 6:30 o'clock, chapel choir rehearsal; 7:30 o'clock, senior Scouts; 8 o'clock, senior choir rehearsal.

Royersford First Evangelical and Reformed church: Tonight, 7 o'clock, Boy Scout and catechetical class; 8 o'clock, meeting of religious education board; tomorrow night, 7:30 o'clock, meeting of the Consistory; meeting of the Busy Bee class; Wednesday night, 7:45 o'clock, Lenten service, subject, "Pride;" Thursday night, 7:30 o'clock, Scout Cubs and the Young adults.

Royersford Methodist church: Tonight, 7:30 o'clock, Boy Scouts; 7:45 o'clock, meeting of Women's Society of the Church; tomorrow night, 7:30 o'clock, meeting of the board of education; Wednesday night, 8 o'clock, Lenten visual worship service, film, "Story of the Prodigal Son;" Thursday, 4 p. m., membership class; Friday night, 7:30 o'clock, choir rehearsal.

Scouts Participate In Klondike Hike

A Klondike hike was conducted by Explorer Post 335 Senior Boy Scouts between the two Royersford Troops No. 1, the Reformed church and No. 2, the Methodist church, Saturday morning. Leaders were John Fetterolf and John Flynn.

The course started at Grace Lutheran church at 10:30 a. m., when the two troops proceeded on different routes, passing tests and Scout requirements en route. They merged at Thomas' dam, Mingo, for dinner, returning after lunch via another route.

Twenty-three boys participated, and both troops were evenly matched, according to the scoring of the judges, in signalling, first-aid, cooking, trailing, compass, rescue and fire building. Reports of the hike will be given at the meetings of the two troops tonight.

Overnight Camp Held By Troop 2 Scouts

Nine Scouts of Royersford Troop 2 went on an overnight camp to Trappe Boy Scout cabin on the Burd Evans farm, leaving Saturday afternoon and returning yesterday afternoon.

The boys cooked their own supper, followed by games and a camp fire and a hike, before beginning the return trip.

In charge of Scoutmaster Harvey Undercoffer Sr. the boys were Robert Trowel, William Egolf, Albert Fisher, Robert Lightcap, James Reichert, Edwin Roussey, Peter DeHuff, Eugene Bergstresser and Richard Toepel.

Committee Picks Title For Church Publication

The monthly publication of Royersford Methodist church has been named "Methodist Reporter," according to an announcement in the current March issue which appeared the past week. The name was selected by a contest committee composed of Miss Kathryn Mansur, Miss Barbara Edwards and Earl Heffline. The name was submitted by A. L. Ernst.

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Reading Couple Appears In 'Ford Church Program

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Munshower, Reading, former local residents, appeared in Royersford Methodist Sunday school yesterday morning on a program arranged by the Forward class, Miss Pearl Frederick, teacher in charge.

Mrs. Munshower brought a message in song, while Munshower spoke on many of the hardships endured by the people of the various countries in Europe.

Hospital Notes

A daughter was born in Phoenixville hospital Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stuffer, Royersford.

Mrs. Charles Matthews, Royersford, was admitted; Mrs. Albert Tanara and Mrs. Ernest Miller, Spring City, were discharged.

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MEETINGS

The Rev. Cortland R. Pusey, pastor of Royersford Methodist church, will be the main speaker at a Norristown sub-district rally of Methodist Youth Fellowship in Phoenixville Methodist church tonight, on the subject, "Keeping Your Record True."

The Ladies' auxiliary of Liberty Fire company, Spring City, will meet tonight at 8 o'clock. Final plans will be arranged for a surprise entertainment to be given at the April 12 meeting.

The Rainbow class of Royersford Grace Lutheran Sunday school will

meet tomorrow night at 7:45 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Abram Hunsicker, 465 Church street.

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